



CALL TO ORDER

The monthly meeting of the Snohomish County Council on Aging was held at Compass Health Administrative Offices, 4526 Federal Avenue in Everett, WA 98203 and convened at 9:30 am with Linda Whitesell, presiding.

BOARD MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE

Donald Best	EX	Angela Martin	EX
Rosy Brewer	EX	Anotonio Porciuncula	✓
Susan Brown	AB	Sue Rowell	✓
Joel Capella	AB	Mark Sideman	EX
Jean Constani-Oehler	✓	Susan Teel	✓
Tracy Cuajao	✓	Nora Todd	✓
Christine Freeman	✓	Donna Vande Kieft	✓
Janet Johnson	✓	Linda Whitesell	✓
Marie Jubie	EX	So Ying Wong	✓
Ann Kelleher	✓	Jan Wrathall	✓
Bill Kelleher	EX	Jennifer Yuen	✓
Ellen Kinney	✓		
Mike Lillie	✓		

GUESTS IN ATTENDANCE

Dianne Klem, Martha Peppones, Kirk Wong, and Ron Vivion

STAFF IN ATTENDANCE

Susie Starrfield, Stefanie Novacek, Danielle Maiden, Joyce Frasu and John Peterson.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made to accept the August 26, 2015 meeting minutes. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

- **Location and Date Change for November meeting.** The location will be at Snohomish County WSU Extension (Cougar Room) at McCollum Park – **600 128th St. SE, Everett, WA on November 18**
- **No Meeting in December**
- **Recruitment** – Starting Monday, September 28th interviews will be taking place for new COA members. There are 17 applicants and 9 openings.
- **Additionally, officer recruitment will be taking place.**

BOARD AND COMMITTEE REPORTS –

Advocacy –Rosy Brewer

- No Report

Senior Centers –Nora Todd

- The Planning Committee meeting was held on September 10th.
- Discussed new topics for November meeting.
- The Senior Center Liasons positions were discussed.

- Invited the COA members to assist in meal monitoring at the various senior centers (one monitoring a year is requested)
- Next meeting will be held at Northshore Senior Center on October 8th.

Healthy Aging – *Chris Freeman*

- No meeting in October
- The flyer for the upcoming Forum was finalized
- The forum is looking for volunteers to assist with various tasks. A sign up sheet was circulated.

Diversity – *Susan Teel*

- The Diversity committee met on September 8th.
- Deb Loughrey-Johnson, Director of the Everett Senior Center, spoke to the committee about Diversity at her Senior Center
- Next meeting will be on October 6th.

Chemical Dependency and Mental Health Program Advisory Board – *Tracy Cuajao*

- No Report

North Sound Mental Health Administration – *Jennifer Yuen*

- Reported the Opening of the a new Evaluation and Treatment (E&T) facility in Sedro Woolley. Open house was held on September 9th.

State COA – *Ron Vivion*

- Met on September 22nd.
- The legislative group discussed advocating.
- Ron encouraged members to get in touch with their State Legislature and encourage **a.)** Re-Authorization of the Older Americans Act; **b.)** Encourage passage house bill HR1571 and Senate 843 to get Medicare System reformed to use observation status time in the hospital as qualifying time when entering a nursing care facility.
- Ron expressed concerned for Initiative 1366 (Tim Eyman's latest). Please consider reviewing and discourage the passing of this bill.
- Joint Legislative Executive Committee on Aging and Disabilities will begin session again on October 26th.

STAFF REPORT- *Susie Starrfield*

- LTC Ombudsman Program – will be transitioning out of the County into another agency. An RFQ or RFP will be going out to find an agency. This will impact volunteers and two (2) Snohomish County employees.
- Susie will be hiring a couple additional positions – for the Family Caregiver Program, and Home Care Contracts Management.
- Thanks for those who signed up for the conference in Tacoma.

ADJOURNMENT at 10:30 a.m. for following Educational Presentation

Next Meeting will be on October 28, 2015 @ 9:30